Conclusion

It is believed that the amendments presented herein to the specification and the claims, together with the above arguments, place the present application in condition for allowance.

Applicants respectfully request issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Payment of the extension fee is to be made according to the Credit Card Payment Form attached herewith. Applicants believe that no additional fees are required in connection with this response. However, if additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Docket Number 108140.00022.

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FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

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(Column 1)		(Column 2)	(Column 3)	SI	SMALL ENTITY			LARGE ENTITY		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		ATE	ADD'L FEE	<u>OR</u>	RATE	ADD'L FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	5 MINUS	26	= 0	x S	\$25	\$0.00		x \$50	2	
INDEP CLAIMS	1 MINUS	4	= 0	x	100	\$0.00		x \$200	s	
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